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DETAILED ACTION

1. This Action is in response to the Reply and Amendment received 17 August 2002.

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

- 2. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 17 August 2002 has been entered.
- 3. The application has been examined. **Original claims 1-76** are pending. The objections and rejections cited are as stated below:

Information Disclosure Statement

4. The references listed in the Information Disclosure Statement submitted on 05 March 2002 has been considered by the examiner (see attached PTO-1449).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

- 5. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:
 The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.
- 6. Claims 9-17, 28-36, 65-68, and 73-76 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Applicant utilizes the terms "new reminders" and "current reminders", it is not clear as to whether these reminders are e-mail reminders.

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Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

- 7. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:
 - (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.
- 8. Claims 1-76 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Fries, U.S. Patent No. 6,317,885 in view Goodhand et al. (Goodhand), U.S. Patent No. 5,923,848.
- 9. Regarding independent claims 1 and 20, Fries discloses the invention substantially as claimed (e.g. as in exemplary independent claim 1). Fries discloses an Internet television program guide reminder system for providing reminder messages of scheduled television events to a user at a multimedia system over the Internet (Fries teaches a system that includes a web link that displays a programming guide through the set top box. Fries teaches providing reminder messages[see Fries, Col. 18, lines 7-42, table] comprising; a web server for providing web pages of television program listings over the Internet (Fries teaches a system that allows for programming guide applications and cable system infrastructures email data to be sent and receive as well as receiving email notifications through the use of an email server), [see Fries, Col. 33, lines 19-44], wherein the web server provides the user with an opportunity to select a television program from the television program listing web pages provided over the Internet, allows the user to order at reminder message for that television program, and sends the reminder message to the multimedia system over the Internet to remind the user when that

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television program is to be broadcast [see Fries, Col. 33, table]. However, Goodhand remains silent on the specific teachings of e-mail for transport of reminder messages.

- 10. In the same field endeavor, Goodhand discloses (e.g., electronic mail system for providing auto-response to certain events). Goodhand discloses sending email reminders (Goodhand teaches that message flags may be accompanied by a due data, which generates reminders for a user via e-mail. Goodhand teaches that the method displays a reminder at a predetermined period of time prior to the due date), [see Goodhand, Figure 18, Col. 25, lines 64-67 and Col. 1-23]. By this rationale independent claims 1 and 20.
- 11. Accordingly, it would have been obvious for one of ordinary skill in the networking art to modify or incorporated Goodhand's teachings of electronic mail system for providing autoresponse to certain events with the teachings of Fries, to provide a system for generating email reminders for specific events at certain times, and since Fries does provide for a system for receiving email notification as well as reminders for specific events the motivation to combine the two references is met.
- 12. Regarding claims 2 and 21, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the web pages provide an e-mail reminder option which the user selects to order e-mail reminder messages (Fries teaches that the email notification on displayed as html pages), [see Fries, Col. 33, lines 29-55]. By this rationale claims 2 and 21 are rejected.
- 13. Regarding claim 3, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the web server presents an e-mail reminder web page when the user selects the e-mail reminder option [see rejection of claim 2, supra]. By this rationale claim 3 is rejected.

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- Regarding claim 4, Fries-Goodhand discloses the invention substantially as claimed. Fries-Goodhand discloses wherein the means for presenting the e-mail reminder web page further comprises means for providing selectable options displayed. [see Fries, Figure 6]. However, Fries-Goodhand does not explicitly disclose selectable options displayed on the e-mail reminder web page when the user is presented with the e-mail reminder web page. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the networking art at the time the invention was made to have displayed multiple options on a web page for selecting different types of email reminders. By this rationale claim 4 is rejected.
- 15. Regarding claim 5, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the selectable option is a how soon option for determining how soon before the broadcast of the television program the email reminder message is to be generated and sent to the user (This featured element is further taught in the combination of Fries-Goodhand. Thus, the limitation is obvious for the same reasons discussed above in the combination together as a hole). By this rationale claim 5 is rejected.
- 16. Regarding claim 6, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the web server presents a how soon web page when the how soon option is selected [see Fries, Col. 18, table]. By this rationale claim 6 is rejected.
- 17. Regarding claim 7, Fries-Goodhand discloses wherein the selectable option is a how often option for determining how often the e-mail reminder message is to be generated and sent to the user (The Examiner takes Official Notice). By this rationale claim 7 is rejected.

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18. Regarding claim 8, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the web server presents a how often web page when the how often option is selected (The Examiner takes Official Notice). By this rationale claim 8 is rejected.

- 19. Regarding claim 9, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the web pages provide for a view current reminders option which the user selects to receive a list of current e-mail reminder orders (The Examiner takes Official Notice). By this rationale claim 9 is rejected.
- 20. Regarding claim 10, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the web server presents a view current reminders web page when the user selects the view current reminders option [see rejection of claim 9, supra]. By this rationale claim 10 is rejected.
- 21. Regarding **claim 11**, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the web pages provide a new reminders option which the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message by entering a program title (The Examiner takes Official Notice). By this rationale **claim 11** is rejected.
- 22. Regarding claim 12, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the web server presents a new reminders web page when the user selects the new reminders option (The Examiner takes Official Notice). By this rationale claim 12 is rejected.
- 23. Regarding claim 13, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the new reminders web page provides at least one selectable option (The Examiner takes Official Notice). By this rationale claim 13 is rejected.
- 24. Regarding claim 14, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the selectable option is a how soon option for determining how soon before the broadcast of the television program the email reminder message is to be generated and sent to the user [see rejection of claim 5, supra]. By this rationale claim 14 is rejected.

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25. Regarding claim 15, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the web server presents a how soon web page when the how soon option is selected [see rejection of claim 6, supra]. By this rationale claim 15 is rejected.

- 26. Regarding claim 16, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the selectable option is a how often option for determining how often the e-mail reminder message is to be generated and sent to the user [see rejection of claim 7, supra]. By this rationale claim 16 is rejected.
- 27. Regarding claim 17, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the web server presents a how often web page when the how often option is selected [see rejection of claim 16, supra]. By this rationale claim 17 is rejected.
- 28. Regarding **claim 18**, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the web server provides a pay-per-view order web page [see Fries, Col. 13, lines 58-64]. By this rationale **claim 18** is rejected.
- 29. Regarding claim 19, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the pay-per-view order web page provides an e-mail reminder option which the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message [see rejection of claim 18, supra]. By this rationale claim 19 is rejected.
- 30. Regarding claim 21, Fries-Goodhand further discloses further comprising providing an e-mail reminder option which the user selects to order e-mail [see rejection claim 1, supra]. By this rationale claim 21 is rejected.
- Regarding claim 22, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the providing of the e-mail reminder option further comprises presenting an e-mail reminder web page when the user selects the e-mail reminder option [see rejection of claim 3, supra]. By this rationale claim 22 is rejected.

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Regarding claim 23, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the presenting of the 32. e-mail reminder web page further comprises providing selectable options displayed on the e-mail reminder web page when the user is presented with the e-mail reminder web page [see rejection of claim 4, supra]. By this rationale claim 23 is rejected.

- 33. Regarding claim 25, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the how soon option further comprises presenting a how soon web page [see rejection of claim 6, supra]. By this rationale claim 25 is rejected.
- 34. Regarding claim 26, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the selectable option is a how often option for determining how often the e-mail reminder message is to be generated and sent to the user [see rejection of claim 7, supra]. By this rationale claim 26 is rejected.
- 35. Regarding claim 27, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the how often option further comprises presenting a how often web page [see rejection of claim 8, supra]. By this rationale claim 27 is rejected.
- 36. Regarding claim 28, Fries-Goodhand further discloses further comprising providing a view current reminders option which the user selects to receive a list of current e-mail reminder orders [see rejection of claim 9, supra]. By this rationale claim 28 is rejected.
- 37. Regarding claim 29, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the providing of the view current reminders option further comprises presenting a view current reminders web page when the user selects the view current reminders option [see rejection of claim 10, supra]. By this rationale claim 29 is rejected.

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Regarding claim 30, Fries-Goodhand discloses further comprising providing a new reminders option which the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message by entering a program title [see rejection of claim 11, supra]. By this rationale claim 30 is rejected.

- 39. Regarding claim 31, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the providing of the new reminders option further comprises presenting a new reminders web page when the user selects the new reminders option [see rejection of claim 12, supra]. By this rationale claim 31 is rejected.
- 40. Claim 32 is substantially the same as claims 5 and 10, and is thus rejected for the same rationale in rejecting claims 5 and 10.
- 41. Regarding claim 33, Fries-Goodhand discloses wherein the selectable option is a how soon option for determining how soon before the broadcast of the television program the e-mail reminder message is to be generated and sent to the user [see rejection of claim 5, supra]. By this rationale claim 33 is rejected.
- 42. Regarding claim 34, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the how soon option further comprises presenting a how soon web page [see rejection of claim 6, supra]. By this rationale claim 34 is rejected.
- 43. Regarding claim 35, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the selectable option is a how often option for determining how often the e-mail reminder message is to be generated and sent to the user [see rejection of claim 7, supra]. By this rationale claim 35 is rejected.
- 44. Regarding claim 36, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the how often option further comprises presenting a how often web page [see rejection of claim 8, supra]. By this rationale claim 36 is rejected.

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Regarding claim 37, Fries-Goodhand further discloses further comprising providing a pay-per-view order web page [see rejection of claim 18, supra]. By this rationale claim 37 is rejected.

- Regarding claim 38, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the providing of the pay-per-view order web page further comprises providing an e-mail reminder option which the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message [see rejection of claim 19, supra]. By this rationale claim 38 is rejected.
- 47. Regarding claim 39, Fries-Goodhand discloses wherein the web -pages provide a user preference profile option which the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message by selecting from various e-mail reminder preferences (The Examiner takes Official Notice). By this rationale claim 39 is rejected.
- 48. Regarding claim 40, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the web server provides a user preference profile web page when the user selects the user preference profile option [well known feature, see prior art of record Iverson et al. U.S. Patent No. 6,411,696]. By this rationale claim 40 is rejected.
- 49. Regarding claim 41, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the user preference profile web page displays at least one selectable option [see rejection of claim 40, supra]. By this rationale claim 41 is rejected.
- 50. Regarding claim 42, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the selectable option is a genre option which the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message by entering a program genre (The Examiner takes Official Notice). By this rationale claim 42 is rejected.

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Regarding claim 43, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the web server presents a genre web page when the user selects the genre option (The Examiner takes Official Notice). By this rationale claim 43 is rejected.

- Regarding claim 44, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the selectable option is an actor option which the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message by entering an actor's name [The Examiner takes Official Notice). By this rationale claim 44 is rejected.
- Regarding claim 45, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the web server presents an actor web page when the user selects the actor option [see rejection of claim 44, supra]. By this rationale claim 45 is rejected.
- Regarding claim 46, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the selectable option is an exact title option with the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message by entering an exact program title (The Examiner takes Official Notice). By this rationale claim 46 is rejected.
- Regarding claim 47, Fries-Goodman further discloses wherein the web server presents an exact title web page when the user selects the exact title option (The Examiner takes Official Notice). By this rationale claim 47 is rejected.
- Regarding claim 48, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the selectable option is a partial title option which the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message by entering a partial program title (The Examiner takes Official Notice). By this rationale claim 48 is rejected.
- 77. Regarding claim 49, discloses wherein the web server presents a partial title web page when the user selects the partial title option (The Examiner takes Official Notice). By this rationale claim 49 is rejected.

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Regarding claim 50, Fries-Goodhand discloses further comprising providing a user preference profile option which the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message by selecting from various e-mail reminder preferences [see rejection of claim 43, supra]. By this rationale claim 50 is rejected.

- Regarding claim 51, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the providing of the user preference profile option further comprises presenting a user preference profile web page when the user selects the user preference profile option [see rejection of claim 40, supra]. By this rationale claim 51 is rejected.
- 60. Regarding claim 52, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the presenting of the user preference profile web page further comprises providing selectable options displayed on the user preference profile web page when the user is presented with the user preference profile web page [see rejection of claims 40 and 41, supra]. By this rationale claim 52 is rejected.
- Regarding claim 53, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the selectable option is a genre option which the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message by entering a program genre [see rejection of claim 42, supra]. By this rationale claim 53 is rejected.
- 62. Regarding claim 54, Fries-Goodhand discloses wherein the genre option further comprises presenting a genre web page when the user selects the genre option [see rejection of claim 43, supra]. By this rationale claim 54 is rejected.
- Regarding claim 55, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the selectable option is an actor option which the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message by entering an actor's name [see rejection of claim 44, supra]. By this rationale claim 55 is rejected.

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Regarding claim 56, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the actor option further comprises presenting an actor web page when the user selects the actor option [see rejection of claim 45, supra]. By this rationale claim 56 is rejected.

- Regarding claim 57, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the selectable option is an exact title option which the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message by entering an exact program title [see rejection of claim 46, supra]. By this rationale claim 57 is rejected.
- Regarding claim 58, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the exact title option further comprises presenting an exact title web page when the user selects the exact title option [see rejection of claim 47, supra]. By this rationale claim 58 is rejected.
- 67. Regarding claim 59, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the selectable option is a partial title option which the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message by entering a partial program title [see rejection of claim 48, supra]. By this rationale claim 59 is rejected.
- 68. Regarding claim 60, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the partial title option further comprises presenting a partial title web page when the user selects the partial title option [see rejection of claim 49, supra]. By this rationale claim 60 is rejected.
- Regarding claim 61, Fries-Goodhand discloses wherein the e-mail reminder web page receives designations for a plurality of destinations to which the e-mail reminder message is to be sent (This particular claimed element is taught in the combination of references by Fries.

 Thus, the limitation is obvious base upon being taught by Fries and for the reasons discus above in the combination discuss together as a whole). By this rationale claim 61 is rejected.

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70. Regarding claim 62, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein each destination is designated by an associated e-mail address [see Goodhand, Col. 2, lines 11-17]. By this rationale claim 62 is rejected.

- 71. Regarding claim 63, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the e-mail reminder web provides a selectable option that allows designation of a time at which the e-mail reminder message is to be sent [see rejection of claim 1, supra]. By this rationale claim 63 is rejected.
- 72. Regarding claim 64, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the e-mail reminder web page provides a selectable option that allows designation of how often the e-mail reminder message is to be sent [see rejection of claim 7, supra]. By this rationale claim 64 is rejected.
- 73. Regarding claim 65, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the new reminders web page receives designations for a plurality of destinations to which the e-mail reminder message is to be sent [see rejection of claim 61, supra]. By this rationale claim 65 is rejected.
- 74. Regarding claim 66, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein each destination is designated by an associated e-mail address [see rejection of claim 62, supra]. By this rationale claim 66 is rejected.
- 75. Regarding claim 67, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the new reminders web page provides a selectable option that allows designation of a time at which the e-mail reminder message is to be sent [see rejection of claim 63, supra]. By this rationale claim 67 is rejected.
- 76. Regarding claim 68, Fries-Goodhand further discloses wherein the new reminders web page provides a selectable option that allows designation of how often the e-mail reminder message is to be sent [see rejection of claim 12, supra]. By this rationale claim 68 is rejected.

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77. Regarding claim 69, Fries-Goodhand discloses further comprising accepting through the e-mail reminder web page designations of a plurality of destinations to which the e-mail reminder message is to be sent [see rejection of claim 61, supra]. By this rationale claim 69 is rejected.

- 78. Regarding claim 70, Fries-Goodman discloses further comprising accepting an associated e-mail address specifying a given destination [see Goodhand, Col. 2, lines 11-17]. By this rationale claim 70 is rejected.
- 79. Regarding claim 71, Fries-Goodhand discloses further comprising providing a selectable option on the e-mail reminder web page that allows designation of a time at which the e-mail reminder message is to be sent [see rejection of claim 1, supra]. By this rationale claim 71 is rejected.
- 80. Regarding claim 72, Fries-Goodhand discloses further comprising providing a selectable option on the e-mail reminder web page that allows designation of how often the e-mail reminder message is to be sent [see rejection of claim 7, supra]. By this rationale claim 73 is rejected.
- Regarding claim 73, Fries-Goodhand discloses further comprising accepting through the new reminders web page designations of a plurality of destinations to which the e-mail reminder message is to be sent [see rejection of claim 68, supra]. By this rationale claim 73 is rejected.
- 82. Regarding claim 74, Fries-Goodhand discloses further comprising accepting an associated e-mail address specifying a given destination [see rejection of claim 70, supra]. By this rationale claim 74 is rejected.

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Regarding claim 75, Fries-Goodhand discloses further comprising providing a selectable option on the new reminders web page that allows designation of a time at which the e-mail reminder message is to be sent [see rejection of claim 68, supra]. By this rationale claim 75 is rejected.

84. Regarding claim 76, Fries-Goodhand discloses further comprising providing a selectable option on the new reminders web page that allows designation of how often the e-mail reminder message is to be sent [see rejection of claim 7, supra]. By this rationale claim 76 is rejected.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to William C. Vaughn, Jr. whose telephone number is (703) 306-9129. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00-5:00, 1st Friday Off.

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